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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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2 Please insert the following new paragraph before the description of
FIG. 1 in the BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS section of the
application:

4 The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color.
Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the
Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the
necessary fee.

REMARKS

This patent application stands allowed. Applicant's counsel Lawrence E. Crowe appreciates the courtesy extended by Examiner Jerry Lorengo during several telephone conferences, relating to formal matters, after receipt by the Applicant of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE.

In paragraph 5 of a DETAILED ACTION that accompanied the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE, the examiner stated that the Applicant's petition under 37 CFR § 1.184(b), filed June 4, 2001, had been received and would be considered, and in the event that the petition was granted, the Applicant would need to set out the language added by amendment herein in the specification.

Subsequent to receiving the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE, Applicant's counsel Lawrence E. Crowe contacted the Examiner on several occasions by telephone to inquire as to the status of consideration and granting of the Applicant's petition to allow color drawings. During the last of those telephone conferences, the Examiner instructed Applicant's counsel to submit this amendment prior to receiving notice that Applicant's petition had been granted.

Applicant believes that no fee is occasioned by submission of this paper. If a fee is occasioned by submission of this paper, however, applicant requests that the Commissioner contact Applicant's Counsel, and the required fee will be provided.